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Dear Lonnie, Hudkins

I have forgotten the name of your younger associate who phoned me Wednesday or Thursday after we spoke. The enclosed are for him as well as for you.

I had expected to hear from this reporter. He had said he'd send me what he had on Lane's goo in Baltimore as he sought to promote himself and what should be titled Caso-Nema Toro.

One of the claims this young fellow told me Lane had made is that by his own stalwart efforts Lane had obtained the enclosed FBI Sibert-O'Neill receipt in the JFK case for "a missle." FOIA is now comp so Lane said he did it by FOIA.

Bullshit, as is most of Lane. He got it by my FOIA activities over the years. I publish this I think in Post Mortem. That is my most recent book and it was published 11/75, a year and a half ago. If it is in an earlier book then I published it earlier. It is one of a series of records said not to exist that with not inconsiderable exertion I did obtain quite a while back.

The enclosed copy is not my original. It is the court reporter's copy of the copy of my copy I gave my lawyer to use in our deposing of an FBI agent 2/28/77, also prior to the appearance of Lane's book . From the court reporter's copy Lil made this one for you. My original, a xerox, was not the best.

The deposition has not been filed so I take it for granted it is confidential. However, except for the hardly legible notation that it is an exhibit in that deposition there is no restriction on this record.

- Lil also copied page 22 of that deposition for you. This is restricted. It also is much easier to read.

I'm sure that neither the country nor the FBI will crumble from this, though.

Nor is the national security endangered by my telling you this this display of don't knows and can't remembers is not out of the ordinary in this deposition.

Gradually I'm building up a Lane collection that some day I'd like to use. So if your friend can obtain any tapes of his press conference or other appearances I'd appreciate copies.

If your man can locate Sibert, who has retired and can't be retaliated against as O'Neill can, he might get a story of some kind. There is no such thing as "a missle" in the JFK evidence.If he is not in your area the Society of Former FBI Agents prints a directory. If you don't know anyone else who is a member and has the directory, try our friend Paul. By the way, he has not told me so but I've heard his wife is seriously ill. I think it is Earl Golz who told me when he called me several weeks ago after getting nowhere with his Audrey Bell and fragments story. I told him what he had Thursday on Dr. Shaw. It is all in Whitewash except Shaw's reported statement that nobody had asked him! (How Earl got it past his editor, natch. I told him to check the Whitewash index under Saw. From the play it got, wire and ABC-TV news, Earl is good at reading. I'd thought he'd have phoned since but he hasn't.)

A coming issue of the NYTimes' weekly "Us" (not us, not you) is carrying a large story on the allegedly mysterious deaths. At least four of their staff have checked with me on this, none with any satisfaction. The last a young - I think quite young- woman named Sas, not Samantha, had the virtue of a sense of humor. And of the ridiculous. When she was finished, about 1 1/2 hrs., I asked her if she'd mind some evuncular advice. When she said, after all this ridicule that she would not, I urged her to call in sick the day after the story appears.Why? So 43rd Street could not reach her. She laughed her thanks. Yet she does it, too. Our yest,